# Tustin Unified School District Measure G Citizens' Oversight Committee And

# Measure L Citizens' Oversight Committee Joint Meeting

#### **MINUTES**

# January 9, 2013

William Teter, Vice Chairperson, called the regular meeting of the Citizens' Oversight Committee to order at 6:07 p.m., in the Tustin High School Science Center Workroom, located at 1171 El Camino Real, Tustin, CA 92780

## Members Present

Bruce Junor - Chairperson (absent)
William Teter - Vice Chairperson
David Albus (absent)
Nancy Gran
George Jeffries (absent)
Simon Russek
Margaret Sepulveda

# **Staff Present**

Tony Soria, Chief Financial Officer Pete Burns, Senior Director, Maintenance, Operations, and Facilities David Miranda, Assistant Director, Facilities, Planning & Operations

# **Guests**

Pete Burns led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

#### **Public Comments**

None

#### Adoption of the Agenda

It was moved by Margaret Sepulveda, seconded by Simon Russek, and carried unanimously to adopt the agenda.

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# **Staff Presentation and Information**

Tony Soria, Chief Financial Officer, shared an update on the City of Tustin grading permit lawsuit scheduled for January 28, 2013. Discussion with the City continues and nothing to report out, other than a tight timeline still exists for permit authority and design of the District's facilities. COC Vice Chairperson, William Teter, inquired that should the City of Tustin and District agree to drop the lawsuit what would be the outcome. Mr. Soria shared that the outcome the District is hoping for would be mutual cooperation amongst both agencies. Mr. Teter also requested the amount of legal fees paid to date and if the fees can be paid out of Measure G and L funds. Mr. Soria replied that legal fees can be paid out of Measure G and L, but to date no fees have been paid out of these funds and that they are currently paid out of the General Fund budget.

COC Member, Margie Sepulveda, inquired as to the new fields at Tustin High School, specifically with the City of Tustin Fourth of July event coming up, will there be restrictions for usage of the fields. Staff shared that restrictions will be in place and no heavy vehicles will be allowed on the new turf.

#### **General Functions Consent Item:**

It was moved by Simon Russek, seconded by Nancy Gran, and carried unanimously, to adopt the Minutes of November 14, 2012.

## **Informational Items/Presentations:**

1. Building Program/Project Update (Measure L)

David Miranda shared the following Measure L Budget Summary Report information:

- Middle School Activity Centers The Columbus Tustin Middle School Activity Center is 100% complete and a dedication ceremony was held on December 14, 2012. Completion of the activity center(s) and dedication ceremonies are scheduled over the next couple of months at the following middle schools:
  - o Hewes Middle School 96% complete, January 2013 dedication
  - o Currie Middle School 85% complete, February 2013 dedication
  - Utt Middle School 80% complete, March 2013 dedication
- District Stadium Upgrades The stadium upgrades will consist of new lighting, a new concession stand, restrooms, site work, visitor side bleachers for 1,000 seats (aluminum) with room for future growth, and a synthetic turf field. Completion is slated for June 2013 and the total project budget is \$5.4 million.
- Tustin High School All-Weather Track Under construction (simultaneous bid with stadium work) with a June 2013 completion date, estimated cost is \$1.6 million.

- Foothill High School All-Weather Track Project will include additional parking spaces, bleachers, a retaining wall, and a synthetic track surface. The project is currently being reviewed by the Department of State Architect and the District is targeting an April 2013 start date. The estimated cost is \$3.1 million.
- Tustin High School Cafeteria This project is also under Department of State Architect review and the anticipated construction schedule is June/2013 November/2013, estimated cost is \$4 million.
- Tustin High School Next Phase Budget to be determined at the January 28 Study Session and the Board will review the next construction phase of this project. Mr. Soria shared that the Board has postponed issuing Series C Bonds and is holding off internal borrowing until the spring/fall 2013.

# 2. <u>District wide Needs Assessment Update</u>

Tony Soria briefly shared that the Needs Assessment Update was completed and shared with the Board. Priority projects have been outlined and the Board will move forward as the District approaches the Series D bond issuance. Of the \$45 million in outstanding issuance under Measure L, the District has approximately \$17 million in funds yet to allocate to specific projects and will use the Needs Assessment report as a guide to determine which project(s) to proceed with next.

The middle schools science labs are in line to be modernized using Measure S funds. Each lab site will be modeled after the Currie Middle School science lab. It was noted that the science labs at the middle schools and the elementary school campus nutrition service areas all need to be updated. Also discussed were high school field space issues and potential solutions.

An update on Measure S projects was requested by the Committee. Alex Rojas, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services, will be in attendance at the next meeting to answer their questions.

#### 3. New Business

Next meeting will be at the District Office Board Conference Room on March 13, 2013, at 6 p.m.

#### Adjourn

It was moved by Simon Russek, seconded by Nancy Gran, and carried unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m. The Citizens Oversight Committee adjourned and toured Tustin High School to view the completed modernization projects.